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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF HUALAPAI VALLEY SOLAR LLC, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REOUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES §§ 40-360.03 AND 40-360.06, FOR A CERTIFICATE OF **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF THE** HVS PROJECT, A 340 MW PARABOLIC TROUGH CONCENTRATING SOLAR THERMAL GENERATING FACILITY AND AN ASSOCIATED GEN-TIE LINE INTERCONNECTING THE GENERATING FACILITY TO THE EXISTING MEAD-PHOENIX 500kV TRANSMISSION LINE, THE MEAD-LIBERTY 345kV TRANSMISSION LINE OR THE MOENKOPI-EL DORADO 500kV TRANSMISSION LINE.

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JOINDER IN COMMISSION STAFFS' BRIEF ON MS. BENSUSAN'S REQUEST FOR REVIEW

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Denise Bensusan filed a Request for Review in this matter on February 26, 2010 based on the Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee's refusal to grant her intervention. On March 10, 2010, the Applicant, Hualapai Valley Solar LLC, submitted a response opposing Ms. Bensusan's request for review. On March 16, 2010, Commission Staff submitted a brief regarding Ms. Bensusan's request for review stating among other things that the failure to allow Ms. Bensusan to intervene as a party in this case "substantially impairs the record for purposes of the Commission's consideration of the application." Commission Staff's Brief at 2. In order to cure the defect and obtain "a full record," Staff recommends that the Commission grant the Application by an order with a stay condition and reopen its decision under A.R.S. § 40-252 with an opportunity for intervenors to be heard as parties. *Id.* According to Staff, at the conclusion of the A.R.S. § 40-252 proceeding, the Commission could determine whether to deny or grant the Application and modify its original decision accordingly. *Id.*

Ms. Bensusan joins the Commission Staff's Brief and supports the Staff's recommendation. She is indifferent to the manner in which she is allowed to participate as a party to these proceedings so long as she is permitted to intervene and is accorded the rights of a party. As Ms. Bensusan pointed out in her Request for Review, there appear to be only two options here: either deny the Application or adopt the approach recommended by Staff. Ms. Bensusan continues to support either approach but defers to the judgment of the Commission Staff that an A.R.S. § 40-252 proceeding is "an expedient way to provide the Commission with a full record upon which to conduct its mandatory statutory balancing." *Id.* at 8.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 18th day of March, 2010.

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